

THE PRESS.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCT. 9.

We notice that Maine carries off a goodly share of the prizes at the Bay State Fair in Boston.

Osman Digma's stronghold has been taken, but nothing is heard from Osman. Perhaps he is really dead at last.

Lewisohn has produced the most unique specimen of a crank yet heard of. He gets under the sidewalk and squirts water up through the cracks between bricks onto pedestrians as they go by.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union think the best way to promote temperance is through a third party. A great majority of the people of Maine think differently and are likely to continue to.

The death of Senator Pike, of New Hampshire, introduces a new element of interest into the pending campaign, inasmuch as it will devolve upon the legislature to be elected to choose his successor. The navy yard will be worked more actively than ever now.

The Queen regent of Spain has not only pardoned the leaders of the recent revolt, but has also signed a decree for the liberation of the slaves in Cuba. The ministry not appreciating such clemency has resigned. The Queen in this case is much wiser than her advisers.

Sir Charles Tupper, Canadian high commissioner to England, expressed the opinion in a speech at Charlottesville, P. E. I., that before two years a reciprocity treaty between the United States and Canada would be in existence. The worst way of accomplishing it was, he thought, or the Canadians to protect their fisheries. Here is new and strong confirmation of the opinion which has all along prevailed in this country that Canada's purpose is to make a treaty with the United States to make a treaty with her that would open our markets to her fishermen.

President Cleveland professes to believe that a public officer could not so impartially act in politics. Unless this principle is brought into contempt, the President of the United States, of all officers, should refrain from anything that has about it even a suspicion of offensive partisanship. For this reason we hope there is no truth in the statement that Colonel Daniel Lamont, the trusted agent of Mr. Cleveland in all matters, politics, the class and have included, is in New York patching up an alliance between Tammany Hall and the County Democracy.

If he is it is equivalent to publishing to the world that the President of the United States has stooped to intrigue in the municipal politics of New York city.

The convicted Chicago Anarchists who have just been refused a new trial were given an opportunity to address the court before sentence was finally imposed. All of them were bold and defiant, and their speeches were a glorification of their work. Spies said he should "die proudly, defiantly, for the cause of justice." Schab, justified his revolutionary editorials and exclaimed, "Who has the cheek to tell our doctrines will not prevail?" Fischer acknowledged that he prepared the "revenge" circular and put in the line calling upon the workmen to come armed, and claimed that he had been convicted by perjured testimony. Lingg fiercely denounced the District Attorney, and said he would die on the gallows with the same contempt for death that he had for the laws. No one, whose punishment he acquired at fifteen years' imprisonment adopted the court to impose the same sentence on him as the jury had fixed on the others. Whether this defiant spirit will continue with them to the gallows remains to be seen. We suspect, however, that a good deal of it will come out before that time.

REFORM IN INDIANA.

The stories that the evasions or infractions of the civil service laws in Indiana have been numerous and even do not seem to be exaggerated. The Civil Service Association of that State have taken pains to investigate the extent to which the violation of the letter and spirit of the law have been carried; and they find that in six congressional districts the Federal office holders have thwarted the will of the people without hindrance or rebuke. In the post-office at Indianapolis requires three extra men and an increase in salaries of fifteen hundred dollars do the work formerly done by the Republican postmasters and his associates. In fifteen out of sixteen second class offices in the State there has been a change of postmasters and the employees in each office have been increased from one to three. Of seventy-six third class offices, sixty-eight are filled by Democrats; and of eighteen hundred fourth class offices at least twelve hundred have been changed. It was the activity of some of these postmasters in the convention of the Fourth Congressional District that first reconciled Representative Holman to Mr. Cleveland's administration. In the railway mail service the changes have been much greater, so that the substitution of Democrats for Republicans has been termed a free-for-all race for Congressmen who wanted places for their henchmen. The inevitable result has followed. Bankers and business men everywhere are complaining of delayed mails. Letters plainly directed constantly travel hundreds of miles out of the way because the new clerks have not learned their schedules or cannot read readily. In the internal revenue districts the sweep has been clean. Where there were once fifty-two Union soldiers employed, there are now but four. The report farther says, in general terms, that the extensive changes made in Indiana have not been for the good of the service. The cost of the postal service is greater than before and not so efficient. By far, since the changes have been made, the purpose of providing berths for party workers and ward bosses for the worst type.

This is how Mr. Cleveland's administration has lived up to its professions of civil service reform in a typical Democratic community. Nowhere are the Federal and Democratic ideas of the uses of public office so rank as in Indiana. The halting course pursued in some other States in making appointments would have bred a Democratic rebellion in Indiana. So the administration pursuing the policy of being all things to all men, has created great content among the Indiana politicians. But will this content be shared by any large number of Indiana voters who have heard Mr. Cleveland's promises and are watching his practices?

PROBATION AFTER DEATH.

The action of the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions in regard to the doctrine of probation is claimed as a victory by both sides to the controversy, and it is not difficult to see that each of them has substantial ground for its claim. The opponents of the doctrine secured from the board the passage of a resolution deprecating the doctrine, approving the action of the prudential committee in carefully guarding the board from any commitment to a tendency in that direction, and recommending that the same caution be exercised in the future. But the friends of the doctrine are more correctly those who opposed making it a test question, certainly succeeded in nullifying so much of the action of the board as joined the same caution on the part of the prudential committee in the future as in the past, for they took the matter entirely out of their hands and placed it in the hands of the board. The prudential committee has just refused to allow a missionary to go back under the auspices of the board because he believed that heathen who had not been given an opportunity to embrace Christianity in this world would be given time to repent in the next. If to allow the missionary to go back would have been a commitment of the board to the tendency of the age to a decisive and irreversible growth upon the churches at home and abroad of the doctrine of probation, (to quote the language of the resolution), then the Board approved the action of the committee in refusing to sanction his return. But whether or not the sending him back would have been a commitment of the Board to such a tendency is a question on which the Board, expressed no opinion, and they took it out of the power of the committee to express an opinion on this point in the future, by taking away from it the decision as to a candidate's theological views and committing it to councils of the

churches. Should a church council decide that the belief of Dr. Hume, the missionary in question, on probation, did not disqualify him from entering the missionary field it would seem that the prudential committee would have to reverse its previous action and allow him to return. But at any rate, give some other than a theological reason for refusing to do so. The certificate of the council as to his theology is to be accepted as final, and there is to be no going behind the returns by the Board. The practical effect, therefore, of the Board's action would seem to be simply to remove the controversy from the Board to the churches, and as some councils are likely to sanction the probation doctrine or, at any rate, not regard the holding of it as a fatal disqualification, while others take the contrary view, the board are likely to receive instruction from both the old and the new schools. It is a consoling thought that instruction from either school will do them a good deal more good than harm.

EXPERIENCE ABOVE PAR.

It is not probable that there are any more simple minded people in Maine than the other States of equal population; on the other hand our people rarely pride themselves that they are as shrewd as any of the Yankees, and that is claiming a good deal. But the way the people of Maine have been swindled this year defies explanation. They lost money right along to the sharpers of Dorris' circus and later on to the "Fountain" which its tents, our villages and cities rang with the maledictions of men who had been swindled. One would suppose that the State had been worked for all it is worth, but this fall along come some well dressed young men with jewelry for sale, cuff buttons, watch chains and watches. They drive into a village or city, gather a crowd and begin to sell, perhaps a watch. They will give a watch, a chain and a dollar bill for a ten dollar bill. Some one purchases, getting for his ten dollars a chain and a watch, with a ten dollar bill in the case. The rest he gives back to the young men distribute the prizes and become wild to partake of the bounty of the well-dressed young men. The ten dollar bills are handed over; the young men for each pack up a watch and a chain, and what appears to be a ten dollar bill in each watch case, but is really a one dollar bill. As soon as all the ten dollar bills are gathered in the young men distribute the prizes and drive rapidly away while their customers find that they have paid their money for worthless trinkets. These fellows first appeared in Biddeford, where they made several hundred dollars; and were thoroughly advertised in the papers; they then went to Bath and played the same game. One of them was arrested and the papers again exposed the trick. But the fellow was released on bail, and immediately went to Augusta. The papers of that city told the same story of swindling, but the sharpers kept right along up the Kennebec to Waterville, Fairfield and Skowhegan. In those places the "sold ones of the earth" were taken in, to use the expression of a local paper, and such seems to have been the case. In Waterville a proprietor of one of the newspapers and an ex-sheriff were among those who learned something at their own expense. In Fairfield a well known physician was among the crowd who were throwing away their money and tried to stop the sacrifice by reading an exposure of the trick from a newspaper. The only effect he had, according to the local paper, was to "stir the crowd up to greater activity in buying."

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These sharpers have made hundreds of dollars in this State. People who fail to suspect anything when a well dressed man is seen giving greenbacks away for nothing, unless for his health. Their desire to acquire something without working for it peaked to the court to impose the same sentence on him as the jury had fixed on the others. Whether this defiant spirit will continue with them to the gallows remains to be seen. We suspect, however, that a good deal of it will come out before that time.

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT.

The appearance of the \$1 silver certificates to be followed in a few days by \$2 and \$5 certificates, marks the gradual disappearance again of the unpopular Blaud dollar.

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